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1. FRG AMBASSADOR RITTER SAW MFA SECRETARY GENERAL ZAKARIA AUGUST 21 TO SEEK GOM'S SUPPORT FOR THE BONN SUMMIT ANTI-HIJACKING DECLARATION. WHEN PRESSED BY RITTER FOR A STATEMENT OF THE GOM'S POSITION THAT RITTER COULD REPORT PROMPTLY TO BONN, ZAKARIA SAID RITTER COULD ASSURE HIS GOVERNMENT THAT THE GOM SUPPORTED ALL MEASURES AGAINST HI-JACKINGS. ZAKARIA, HOWEVER, WAS UNWILLING AT THAT POINT TO PROMISE GOM PUBLIC SUPPORT FOR THE BONN DECLARATION. IN THE COURSE OF THEIR CONVERSATION, ZAKARIA SAID HE BELIEVED THE GOM HAD NO POLICY OBJECTION TO RATIFYING THE HAGUE, TOKYO, AND MONTREAL ANTI-HIJACKING CONVENTIONS.

2. I WILL SEEK AN APPOINTMENT WITH ZAKARIA IN THE NEXT FEW DAYS. DEPENDING ON THAT CONVERSATION, I MAY ALSO TRY TO SEE THE MINISTER OF TRANSPORT IN AN EFFORT TO DETERMINE THE STATUS OF GOM RATIFICATIONS OF THE THREE ANTI-HIJACKING LIMITED OFFICIAL USE.

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CONVENTIONS. AS OUR PREVIOUS REPORTING INDICATES, WE HAVE BEEN TOLD THAT THE GOM INTENDS TO THESE CONVENTIONS, BUT THEY ARE UNDER TECHNICAL STUDY BY THE MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT (FORMERLY MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS).

3. ABOVE DRAFTED BEFORE RECEIPT OF STATE 212172. MILLER

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